

Amendments To The Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein at least one of the plates of the at least two plates has a Z-shaped, I-shaped or L-shaped configuration.

3. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein at least one plate, in a central area extending transversely with respect to the longitudinal axis of the spinal column, has at least one passage for a bone screw, so that this plate can be connected to a vertebra.

4. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in claim 3, wherein said area has two said passages arranged at a distance from one another and each intended for a bone screw.

Claim 5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein at least two plates are each connected to an intervertebral implant via ~~a polyaxial joint, in particular a ball joint~~ that is polyaxial.

7. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein at least two L-shaped plates are connected to an intervertebral implant.

8. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein the two plates each have, in an arm extending transversely with respect to the longitudinal direction of the spinal column, at least two passages which are arranged at a distance from one another and each receive a bone screw.

9. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein two intervertebral implants are connected to one another by a Z-shaped plate.

10. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein two intervertebral implants are provided which are connected to one another by a Z-shaped plate and on each of which an L-shaped or I-shaped plate is secured, all the connections between the plates and the intervertebral implants being designed as polyaxial joints, in particular ball joints.

11. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein at least one plate and/or an intervertebral implant is/are made of a material transparent to X-rays.

12. (Currently Amended) The device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 18, wherein it is provided for spondylodesis of the cervical spine.

13. (Currently Amended) A kit for producing the device as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 20, ~~with at least one having two intervertebral implant and with at least one plate implants; wherein a first of said two plates for connecting the intervertebral implant implants~~

~~to at least one vertebra adjacent vertebra~~[[,]] ~~wherein at least one plate is L-shaped and at least one plate a second of two plates is Z-shaped, and in that at least one wherein the two~~
intervertebral ~~implant~~ has implants each have two bores which are arranged at a distance from one another and each receive a locking screw[[.]];

wherein opposite ends of the Z-shaped plate each have said hemispherical joint part respectively engaged in the hemispherical depression on each of the two intervertebral implants forming said ball joints.

14. (Currently Amended) The kit as claimed in claim 13, wherein the intervertebral ~~implant~~ implants and the two plates each have at least one joint part for forming a ball joint.

15. (Currently Amended) The kit as claimed in claim 13, wherein the intervertebral ~~implant~~ implants and the two plates are made of a material transparent to X-rays.

16. (Previously Presented) The kit as claimed in claim 13, including a plurality of bone screws and a plurality of locking screws.

17. (Previously Presented) The kit as claimed in claim 16, wherein the locking screws are ball-head screws having a screw head which is substantially hemispherical on its underside.

18. (New) A device for spondylodesis for anterior intersomatic spondylodesis of the cervical spine, with at least one intervertebral implant, that functions as a pressure-absorbing spacer which stabilizes the spondylodesis and ensures that a solid osseous bridge forms between adjacent vertebral bodies and with at least one plate which is to be connected

to the intervertebral implant and to an adjacent vertebra, wherein the intervertebral implant is formed as a unit having only a single recess therein that extends through the implant to open on opposite sides of the implant to an outside of the implant and face along the longitudinal axis of the spinal column when implanted;

wherein the intervertebral implant is connected to at least two plates;

wherein the intervertebral implant extends transversely to the at least two plates which are arranged at a distance from one another, one end of each of the two plates form a fixable joint together with the intervertebral implant;

wherein each of the at least two plates have, at least at one end, a hemispherical joint part formed as a unit protrudes transversely down from said two plates; and

wherein said joint part has a passage for a locking screw and engages in a hemispherical depression of the intervertebral implant to form a ball joint

19. (New) The device as claimed in claim 18, wherein an upper side of the at least one intervertebral implant on which the at least two plates are engaged is at least partially flat.

20. (New) The device as claimed in claim 19, wherein the opposite sides of the implant is provided to respectively engage adjacent vertebral bodies are at least partially flat.